



## INTEGRATED CIRCUIT STRUCTURES AND METHODS EMPLOYING A LOW MODULUS HIGH ELONGATION PHOTODIELECTRIC

## Abstract of the Disclosure

Structures and methods are provided for absorbing 5 stress between a first electrical structure and a second electrical structure connected together, wherein the first and second structures have different coefficients of thermal expansion. A dielectric material is disposed on at least one of the first and second electrical 10 structures. This dielectric material is a low modulus material which has a high ultimate elongation property (LMHE dielectric). Preferably, the LMHE dielectric has a Young's modulus of less than 50,000 psi and an ultimate elongation property of at least 20 percent. The LMHE 15 dielectric can be photo patternable to facilitate formation of via openings therein and a metal layer is formed above the LMHE dielectric which has conductors capable of expanding or contracting with the dielectric. Conductors of the metal layer disposed above the 20 dielectric and connected to vias in the dielectric have a length significantly greater than the maximum displacement due to thermal expansion between the first and second electrical structures, e.g., a length which is at least five times the displacement.

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